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In re Application of  
Carlos **SCHULER, et al.**  
Application No. 09/731,316  
Filed: December 6, 2000  
Attorney Docket No. **015225-005210US**

DECISION ON PETITION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed September 28, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

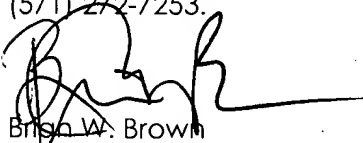
This application became abandoned as a result of petitioner's failure to file a complete and proper appeal brief within the time period provided in 37 CFR 41.37(a)(1). As a complete and proper appeal brief was not filed within one (1) month of the Notification of Non-Compliance with 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1), mailed November 8, 2006 and no extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained, the appeal was dismissed and the proceedings as to the rejected claims were terminated. See 37 CFR 1.197(b). As no claim was allowed, the application became abandoned on December 9, 2006. See MPEP 1215.04.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a supplemental appeal brief; (2) the petition fee of \$1500; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay.

The petition is not signed by an attorney of record. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34, the signature of Mr. Guy V. Tucker appearing on the correspondence shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent the particular party on whose behalf he acts.

This application is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 3734 for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the reply received.

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